

STEVE ELKINS HOT

Will Oppose McKenna's Confirmation as Justice

ON ACCOUNT OF SECTION 22

Nullified By the Attorney General's Opinion

Europe's Dependence Upon the United States for Wheat—Civil Service in the Treasury Department—Hawaiian Annexation.

Washington, Nov. 25.—The statement is made that Senator Elkins will oppose the nomination or confirmation of Attorney General McKenna as associate justice of the supreme court because of his decision on section 22 of the Dingley tariff law. The insertion of this section of the bill was due to Elkins, and McKenna's decision against it aroused his ire. The opinion prevails, however, that Elkins can be brought into line for McKenna, and will ultimately refrain from opposing his confirmation.

The solicitor of the treasury, to whom was referred legal complications growing out of the removal of deputy collectors of internal revenue after Attorney General McKenna declined to give an opinion on the subject, will follow the example of McKenna and not attempt to determine whether or not collectors are clothed with the power of appointment and removal. Assistant Secretary Vandervlip said today that the whole matter is just where it started, and that no opinion is expected from the solicitor until after congress convenes. It is naturally inferred that the solicitor has found that the secretary does not wish his opinion, and the inference is natural that efforts will go no further with what appears to be an attempt to evade the civil service law or secure a construction of it in opposition to that of the civil service commissioners. It has been determined that the present order shall be enforced until time is secured to modify the regulations or until some action is taken by congress which can be regarded as an expression of sentiment concerning the whole system. In the meantime it is understood the opinion of the law and application to employees of internal revenue collectors prepared by civil service commissioners may be accepted by the treasury department.

William Blaine, chairman of the board of directors of one of the largest milling companies in Great Britain, who has been in this country investigating the American wheat supply, will sail for Europe in a few days convinced that the world will have to depend on the United States to make up the shortage in the wheat crop which has been found to exist in nearly every wheat raising country in the world excepting Canada and the United States. Blaine is not a speculator in wheat, but a practical miller, and his observations were for the purpose of ascertaining just where he could procure enough wheat to supply the enormous demand which is made upon his establishment in England each year. He says there will be a constant demand for American wheat during the coming year which he thinks will increase until the crops of next fall are harvested.

Blaine thinks that the wheat prospects in Argentina are far better than they were last year, but his exclusive investigations as to the conditions in France lead him to believe that the crop there is the worst known in the present generation. He says the French crop is nearer to a failure than any time since 1865 and that France will be obliged to rely upon the United States for a supply.

The United States, he declares, has an advantage not only in its surplus of wheat, but in its power of increasing the estimated surplus for the coming year. He believes that "the almost universal use of corn for bread food in the United States" will tend to make a large wheat surplus which can be shipped abroad. Especially is this the case he says when the price of wheat is carried above certain figures.

Six weeks ago, when Mr. Blaine left England, there was only a month's supply of wheat to meet the local demand there and for that reason English millers are making enormous purchases in this country and Canada. One of the advantages of American wheat pointed out by the Englishmen is that it is adapted to many different uses, and it is almost impossible, Blaine says, for the wheat crop to fail in all parts of the country where different grades of wheat are grown. The continued exportations of wheat will tend to maintain and increase the excess of exports over imports which has prevailed during the past six months.

Representative Dolliver of Iowa says he doubts if congress does more than to pass immigration and appropriation bills. He says, of course, that Hawaii will be annexed.

"Will there be any currency legislation?" he was asked.

"I doubt if a bill can be framed that will meet the approval of both houses. It is not unlikely, however, that the house will take up legislation in line with the recommendation of the president's message. These, I take it, will be reasonable and conservative and strictly along the line of the record and platform of the republican party."

Senator Fairbanks, chairman of the committee on agriculture, is preparing a bill providing for national restrictions to immigration. The bill will follow very closely the lines of the Lodge bill, which Mr. Cleveland vetoed, but the features which were then objected to and caused controversy in both houses will be somewhat modified. Legislation respecting immigration is assured. There is a strong majority in the house in favor of a good restrictive bill, while in the senate the Lodge bill could be passed with little opposition.

Captain Merry of San Francisco, new minister to the Greater Republic of Central America, who has been in consultation with the state department officials during the past week regarding the duties of his new office, has left for home. President McKinley directed him to hold Nicaragua to her agreement to grant Nicaragua canal concessions to the United States. It is said Nicaragua has withdrawn her informal objection to his appointment.

PREPARED TO STRIKE

Plenty of Ammunition for the Patriot Army.

Havana, Nov. 25.—Only minor engagements are reported from the field, but indications are that the Cubans, who have recently been well supplied with ammunition, are getting together to give the Spaniards a hard blow. News of an important battle may be expected any day now. The insurgents have destroyed with dynamite the railroad line and bridges between Guines and San Nicolas in Havana province.

A hard engagement has taken place near Aguacate, Havana, between the Spanish battalion of Almazan and the insurgents under Col. Arango. The Spanish have had to take refuge in the town after leaving ten killed and eighteen wounded on the field.

The important sugar estate in Central Limones and Mercedita have been burned by the insurgents.

The new governor of Santa Clara, Senor Marcos Garcia, has asked for reinforcements from General Blanco to protect the town of La Esperanza against the patriots.

The conservative partisans of Weyler are trying here to raise all kinds of trouble for the government. El Comercio savagely attacks the government and autonomy. Senor Santos Guzman, leader of the conservatives, made a row in the captain-general's office yesterday because he wished to send to Madrid a dispatch addressed to the queen protesting against autonomy and the censor refused to allow the dispatch to pass. Angry words were bandied between General Blanco and Senor Guzman, the governor-general exclaiming: "You and your followers are more rebels than the men in the field, and as the representative of the government, I shall have to punish you."

At La Palacios, Pinar del Rio, the conservative major refused to recognize the authority of the newly appointed governor, Senor Fabio Freyre. The governor had the major arrested.

TAMMANY'S \$40,000 SURPLUS.

Twenty Thousand Given to the Cuban Junta.

New York, Nov. 25.—Tammany's plethoric campaign fund could not all be spent before election, so at a meeting of the executive committee last night, on motion of Richard Croker, \$40,000 of the surplus was appropriated to relieve distress and suffering.

Of this amount \$20,000 was given to the Cuban junta for sick and suffering insurgent Cubans and the other \$20,000 will be distributed among the poor of New York county through the organization.

The check to the junta was made payable to Tomas Estrada Palma and at once handed over to a delegation of Cubans who were present. Mr. Rubens for the junta made an address of thanks, saying Tammany had given the last thing needed for Cuba's freedom.

NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

Return of the Colorado From Alaska.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25.—The bark Colorado, which left here for Pyramid harbor about a month ago with 400 hundred of horses and cattle, which were to be driven over the Dalton trail to Dawson City, returned today.

When the Colorado left Pyramid harbor the cattle and horses had not yet been started over the trail. A party of surveyors connected with the venture was working about twelve



THE RESULT OF THE CONFERENCE.

miles up the trail. They reported two feet of snow on the ground.

WHAT OREGON ASKS FOR.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 25.—At a joint meeting of the Oregon congressional delegation and the chamber of commerce it was decided to ask congress for an appropriation to assist in the transportation of supplies to Dawson City for the relief of miners in Alaska. It was also decided to ask the treasury department to rescind the order making Dyea a port of entry.

BROKE UP THE WEDDING FEAST.

Rejected Suitor Appears and Shoots One of the Participants.

New York, Nov. 25.—A murder broke up the wedding feast at the marriage of Isaac Goldstein to Katie Silverstein tonight in the flat of Vetta Gordon, in a tenement house in Henry street. Charles Chaplino appeared at the festivities armed with a revolver and shot Louis Lieberman in the abdomen, inflicting a wound from which Lieberman died shortly afterward and he would have killed Lieberman's son, Myer, had not two detectives arrived in time to save him. Chaplino was arrested. Miss Gordon told the police that she had refused to marry Chaplino because he wanted her to work after the marriage. Chaplino is a swarthy Hebrew of 24 years.

BATTLE ON A LOCOMOTIVE.

Engineer and Fireman Fight to the Death.

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 25.—A desperate fight took place on a locomotive going at the rate of twenty miles an hour late last night on the Louisville & Nashville railroad a few miles below Birmingham between Engineer E. P. Bishop, and his fireman, Wiley Craft. The latter, who is a negro, was killed, while Bishop was severely cut.

The locomotive was hauling a fast freight train. The engineer ordered the fireman to rake the fire. The fireman took offense, pulled a pistol and fired one shot at Bishop. A hand to hand struggle followed and the fireman pulled a knife and began hacking the engineer in the breast. The engineer finally got hold of the pistol and fired on the fireman. The latter was killed instantly and his body fell out on a side track. Though bleeding badly, the engineer stopped the train and brought the engine back to this city with the body of the fireman. The preliminary trial was given the engineer today and he was released.

KANSAS CITY STOCK MARKET.

Kansas City, Nov. 25.—Cattle receipts, 3,000; market firm to 10 cents higher; native steers, \$3.55@5; native cows and heifers, \$1.25@4.35; stockers and feeders, \$3@4.35; bulls, \$2.40@4; sheep receipts, 1,000; market strong; lambs, \$4.50@6; muttons, \$2.55@4.

MICHAEL WON.

New York, Nov. 25.—Michael beat Starbuck at Madison Square garden tonight by thirty laps in a distance of twenty-five miles. The time was 50:29 1-5. This beats Michael's Chicago indoor record.

WILL BE CROWDED THROUGH

The Tariff Autonomy to be offered to Cuba

In Spite of Opposition From Many Interested Spanish Provinces. Official Expressions by Sagasta and Members of the Cabinet

Madrid, Nov. 25.—The clause in relation to tariffs in the government's proposed scheme of autonomy for Cuba provides for the creation of a mixed commission to be composed of Cubans and Spaniards, which is to fix the tariffs. The rates fixed by the commission are to be adopted by the Cuban chamber of deputies and then approved by the Spanish cortes before they become effective. Should the mixed commission come to a deadlock the cortes is to be the arbitrator of the question at issue.

Prime Minister Sagasta has received over 1,000 dispatches from persons and organizations in Catalonia, Biscay and other provinces asking that the autonomy scheme be suspended. A member of the cabinet said today, however, that the entire scheme must soon cease.

"Naturally," he added, "the proposed reforms were opposed by a number of persons who by the past system had amassed great riches, but the government was determined to carry out what it considered a patriotic work and its decisions must be respected."

It is said that the ministry of colonies will be abolished after the application of the reforms and that colonial affairs will be conducted by the prime minister.

WILL PINGREE EXPLAIN?

His Thanksgiving Proclamation Read Like Stephens's of Missouri.

New York, Nov. 25.—A local collector of official literature says either Governor Lon V. Stephens of Missouri and Governor Pingree of Michigan think alike or else are guilty of plagiarism in their Thanksgiving proclamations. The burden of explanation lies with Pingree, as his is dated November 5, while Stephens goes out his glad tidings four days earlier. The deadly parallel shows: By Stephens: "Our great commonwealth, filled with a greater population than belonged to the whole country when our fathers fought for national independence, can look back over the seventy-six years of statehood and see the simple industries of the pioneers grown to the many diversified industries which have made us the eighth state in wealth and we are the fifth in numbers and political power in this great Union."

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By Pingree: "Our great commonwealth, filled with a larger population than belonged to our whole country

when our fathers fought for national independence, can look back over the sixty years of statehood and see the simple industries of the pioneers grown to the diversified interests which have made us a great state in wealth and in a great many other ways.

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ACQUITTAL IS PROBABLE.

The Case of Auditor Mayhew Closes This Afternoon.

Pierre, S. D., Nov. 25.—The direct testimony in the case of the state against ex-Auditor Mayhew was completed last night and the only other witnesses, if any, who will be called will be in rebuttal this afternoon and the case will go to the jury today. The case as it stands shows on the part of the state that Mayhew failed to settle in full when he turned over the office, and on the part of the defense that the money was in the vault of the office and not turned over for several days, for what is claimed by the defense to be good reasons, but that settlement in full had soon been made with the state. These are facts which will go before the jury to decide whether there was any misappropriation as charged.

Judge Corson handed down an opinion in the case of Julia K. Seale vs. city of Lead, in which he affirms an injunction against the city raising the grade of a street bordering on the property of the defendant.

BANK ROBBER GONE.

Sentence Affirmed by Supreme Court. He Forfeits His Bond.

Kansas City, Nov. 25.—William Lockridge, whose sentence for five years in the penitentiary for robbing the bank of Savannah, Mo., two years ago, was formally affirmed by the state supreme court, has disappeared. Lockridge was out on a \$3,000 bond pending action of the supreme court on his appeal.

Lockridge, Paddy McGraw, "Dutch" Weber and "Red" O'Brien robbed the Savannah bank two years ago, securing about \$450 in money and \$1,000 of bonds. McGraw was captured in this city, and after he had told who was in the robbery he was taken back to Allegheny City, Pa., where he broke jail while serving a twelve years' sentence for murder. Lockridge was caught in San Francisco while trying to dispose of his part of the stolen bonds. O'Brien was captured in Portland, Ore., a few months ago, and Weber in Detroit, Mich., recently. If Lockridge is not found soon his bond will be declared forfeited.

FAMILY FEUD SETTLED.

Shotguns Were Brought Into Play and Four Men Are Dead.

Mandeville, La., Nov. 25.—From Bayou Lacombe, a small settlement eleven miles east of here, news has just been received of a desperate fight between Arthur and Edward Julie on one side and Laurence and Edward Cousin on the other, in which all concerned were killed. Shotguns and pistols were the weapons used. A long standing family feud led to the fight.

CHARGES IT TO WHISKY.

Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 25.—The current week's issue of the Britton Sentinel, whose office was wrecked by dynamite the first of the week, was printed last night in Aberdeen. Mr. Sherin, the proprietor, says politics had nothing to do with the outrage, but charges it to the whisky gang which he has so long fought. Members of all political parties in Britton have signified a willingness to contribute to a fund to buy him a new press.

SUED FOR \$30,000.

Sleepy Eye, Minn., Nov. 25.—L. P. Larson, now of Herron Lake, has brought suit against the Northwestern road for \$30,000 for personal injuries received at Cobden, December 27, 1892. While attempting to help a friend on a passenger train, Larson, then a boy about 17 years of age, was struck by the train.

CHURCH FLOOR COLLAPSES.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 25.—By the collapsing of the door of Cory Methodist church on Central avenue this evening, 500 colored worshippers were precipitated to the ground, a distance of seven feet. A panic ensued, but only three persons were hurt, and they not seriously.

GLADSTONE ATTENDS CHURCH.

London, Nov. 25.—A dispatch from Hawarden says that Mr. Gladstone, concerning whose health an alarming rumor was widely circulated here yesterday, is in his usual health and this morning walked to the village church where he attended services.

BERKELEY'S COLORS

Lowered Before the Shining Cardinal of Palo Alto

STANFORD'S GREAT VICTORY

The University of the State Beaten at Every Point

The Pennsylvanians Overwhelmed the Strong Athletics of Ithaca. The Triumphs and Humiliations on Other Football Fields.

San Francisco, Nov. 25.—Cardinal is again the Thanksgiving day color of the winning gladiators of the gridiron, and cardinal is the hue with which the fellow undergraduates in honor of the eleven from Stanford are decorating San Francisco tonight.

Unique in lack of the usual display of partisan college sentiment, the dominant characteristic of this year's struggle for the goal line of the opposing team, was the ease with which Stanford piled up point after point, touch-down upon touch-down, goal after goal, until the Leland Stanford, Jr., university had twenty-eight points to her credit, while the University of California strove vainly to achieve a single unit.

Never in the history of inter-collegiate foot ball on the Pacific coast has a victory been so overwhelming, superiority so undeniable, inferiority so unmistakable as in the match this afternoon when the stalwart young athletes from Palo Alto achieved so signal a triumph over the team representing the older, but less athletic University of California.

WINNING PENNSYLVANIANS.

Philadelphia, Nov. 25.—The University of Pennsylvania foot ball team defeated Cornell this afternoon on Franklin Field by a score of 4 to 0. It was by far the fastest game that has been played here this season, and shows Cornell to have a remarkably strong team.

KNICKERBOCKERS BEATEN.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—The foot ball game between the Knickerbocker Athletic club of New York and the Bankers' Athletic club of the same city, resulted in favor of the Bankers. Score, 16 to 8.

IOWA LAID LOW.

Council Bluffs, Ia., Nov. 25.—Nebraska, 6; Iowa, 0.

COLUMBIA WAS NOWHERE.

Kansas City, Nov. 25.—Kansas, 16; Missouri, 0.

OTHER GAMES.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25.—Seattle Athletic club, 10; University of Washington, 6.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 25.—Reliance of Oakland, 4; Butte, 6.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—Chicago, 12; New Jersey, 0.

Newton, Mass., Nov. 25.—Dartmouth, 24; Newton, 0.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—Chicago, 1; Michigan, 12.

SUICIDE IN JAIL.

Prominent Canadian Takes His Own Life.

Stillwater, Ont., Nov. 25.—Attorney Van Martin, a former prominent lawyer and politician, committed suicide in jail here while awaiting trial for embezzlement and forgery. Several months ago Martin was arrested for embezzling trust funds and forging the signatures of county officials to a lot of blank county warrants, which he sold in large quantities to Chicago and Iowa banks. He was finally let out on bail, but rearrested, charged with tampering with the jury list, from which twelve men to try him were to be selected. Soon after being placed in jail he took a big dose of morphine and was past relief when his condition became known.

MILLION DOLLAR MARK.

It Has Been Reached at Denver Mint in Twenty Days.

Denver, Nov. 25.—The assayer of the local mint yesterday forwarded to Washington his report for the twenty days of the present month. For the first time in the history of the institution the million dollar mark has been exceeded in the fractional part of a month, and this, too, without the deposits of two of the largest smelting companies in the state. The total gold received this period was \$1,000,332, with \$256,649 in the same period, 1896. The gain equals \$752,682, per cent.

BEATEN BALTIMORES.

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 25.—Four thousand people witnessed the defeat of the great Baltimore base ball team by the Gilt Edges of this city today by a score of 4 to 2.

RYAN VS. RYAN.

Elmira, N. Y., Nov. 25.—Tommy Ryan of Syracuse knocked out Australian Jim Ryan in the fifth round.